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Boston. Among the subjects on which Mr. Walsh will speak in America are: "Europe's Optical Illusion," "The Delusion of Armaments as a Bond of Peace," "In Time of Peace Prepare for Peace," "The Military Madness and the Church's Duty," "Boy Scouts and Other Military Devices," "Lessons from British Politics" and "What the United States, Germany and Great Britain Could Do Together."

News from the Field.

The peace movement has been slow in starting in Russia, but it is sure to gain in force rapidly. The first Russian peace society was that organized at Moscow, as we have already announced. Now we have received word of the organization of a society at St. Petersburg. The president is Professor M. Kovalevsky; the secretary, Mr. E. Semenoff, a well-known Russian publicist; the treasurer, Madam Z. Dunkovsky; Baron Taube, Count Tolstoy, Messrs. de Roberty, Zavoiko, Rodicheff and Efremoff are members of the executive committee. Several of these are members of the Duma.

The Interparliamentary Union is to hold its conference this year in Brussels from the 21st to the 24th of July. One of the most important subjects to be discussed at the conference is that of the immunity of private property from capture at sea in time of war.

At a meeting of the British Group of the Interparliamentary Union held a month ago at the House of Commons, under the presidency of Lord Weardale, it was announced that both the Prime Minister and Mr. Balfour had consented to become honorary vice-presidents of the Group.

The preliminary oratorical contest of the Peace Association of Wooster University, Wooster, Ohio, took place on March 18. There were four contestants. The intercollegiate contest of the State of Ohio will take place at Miami University, Oxford, Ohio, on April 25. The interstate contest is expected to take place at Ann Arbor, Michigan, on the 18th of May.

The Lombard Peace Union, Milan, Italy, held its annual meeting on the 6th of May in the *Antisala del Consiglio Comunale*, kindly granted by the city authorities. The work of the society for the year was presented, and there was discussion of the question how its propaganda might be enlarged and improved. Further details have not reached us.

Hamilton Holt, managing editor of the *Independent* and a prominent member of the executive committee of the New York City Peace Society, has been giving his illustrated lecture on "The Federation of the World" in a number of cities this season. On March 20 he gave the lecture in Detroit to about three hundred and fifty persons, who expressed their appreciation by frequent applause.

James L. Tryon, Assistant Secretary of the American Peace Society, gave last month a lecture before the Boston University Law School and a course of three lectures at the Episcopal Theological School at Cambridge, Mass., on international subjects. This is the

third year that he has given a similar course of lectures at the school. On the first day of this month (April) he also gave a lecture before the Class in International Law of the Harvard Law School.

Dr. William P. Rogers, Dean of the Cincinnati Law School and President of the Arbitration and Peace Society of Cincinnati, has been giving a number of addresses on the international peace movement during the winter. He finds the people both "surprised and attracted by the facts" of the extraordinary progress which the cause is making.

A very fine address was given before the ministers of Hartford, Conn., on the 21st of March by Arthur Deerin Call, president of the Connecticut Peace Society and chairman of the committee which is organizing the New England Arbitration and Peace Congress for May 8-11. The subject was "A Substitute for War." The address was printed in full in the *Hartford Daily Times* of March 22.

Señora de Costa, president of the South American Peace Association at Buenos Ayres, has induced the Argentine government to vote \$6,000 to place a replica of the Christ of the Andes statue, reduced in size, in the Palace of Peace at The Hague. That is good work.

The Copenhagen Branch of the Danish Peace Society has opened rooms at 24 Forchhammersvej, where the members will have access to a reading room and lending library, and where monthly meetings will be held. The society proposes to place in these rooms a library of peace literature as complete as possible, including books, pamphlets and periodicals, and will feel very thankful for gifts of such literature from any societies or individuals who may be disposed to send them. Older books and pamphlets are especially desired. Address them to the president, Ingenior Olap Forchhammer, at the address given above.

It is most refreshing and encouraging to have, at last, reports of the activity of peace societies in Russia. On the 21st of February the Committee of the St. Petersburg Peace Society gave a reception and banquet to the French Parliamentary Delegation which Baron d'Estournelles de Constant had taken to the Russian capital. The program of the day included a breakfast in the forenoon, a meeting in the afternoon, the first public meeting of the society, at which Professor Kovalevsky presided and Senator d'Estournelles gave an address on "Patriotism and Peace" to twelve hundred people, and a banquet in the evening, at which Mr. Ephremoff, president of the Russian Interparliamentary Group, presided. At this dinner speeches were made by the presidents of the Duma and of the Council of the Empire, by Mr. Iswolsky, Minister of Foreign Affairs, by Ambassador Louis of France and other persons. Telegrams of sympathy and greeting were sent to Frederic Passy at Paris and to Dr. Gobat, the Peace Bureau at Berne.

We have received an excellent account of the work for the past two months of Robert C. Root, Pacific Coast Representative of the American Peace Society, but it reached us too late for insertion in this issue.